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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Sandal et al.

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For: Method For Generating A Gene Library

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application on the merits, kindly
amend the application as set forth below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, before the first line, insert

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 of Danish application
PA 1998 01388 filed October 28, 1998 and of U.S. provisional no. 60/106,319, filed
October 30, 1998, the contents of which are fully incorporated herein by reference.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claims 4, 7, and 12 under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §
1.121(a)(2)(ii) as follows:

4. (Amended) The method according to claim 2 [or 3], wherein the substrate comprises
pectin, amylose, cellulose, galactose, xylose or arabinose or a combination thereof